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SUBJECT: BILATERAL TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS

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1. RE SCHEDULED VISIT OF MINISTER JURICH AND MICHAEL B. SMITH FOR PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING FORMAL TEXTILE TALKS IN SEPTEMBER, WE HAVE ASSUMED FROM REQUEST IN REF A FOR HOTEL ROOMS FOR NIGHTS OF AUG 4, 5, AND 6 THAT JURICH AND SMITH PLAN DEPART AUG 7.

2. MINISTER CHANG YIE JOON OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (MCI) WILL DEFINITELY MEET WITH JURICH AND SMITH. HOWEVER, IT PROBABLE HE WILL BE CALLED TO TESTIFY BEFORE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SOME TIME DURING VISIT. IT NOT POSSIBLE SET SPECIFIC TIME FOR APPOINTMENT UNTIL TIME FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY APPEARANCE FIXED.

3. QUESTION OF WHO WILL LEAD ROKG DELEGATION IN SEPTEMBER STILL NOT SETTLED. IT NO LONGER, HOWEVER, SIMPLY CHOICE BETWEEN KIM SUN KIL AND PARK PIL SOO. WE INFORMED CONFIDENTIALLY BY MR. SUN, JUON YUN OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAT MOFA WANTS TO HAVE MOFA ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, KIM, DONG WHIE NAMED

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TO HEAD DELEGATION. MCI IS FIGHTING TO HAVE ITS

CANDIDATE AS PRINCIPAL NEGOTIATOR, BUT HAS STILL NOT INDICATED TO US WHETHER THAT WOULD BE KIM SUN KIL OR PARK PIL SOO. ACCORDING SUN, MOFA ASSERTING IT HAS FINAL SAY IN NAMING DELEGATION AND DECISION NOT LIKELY BEFORE MID-AUGUST. CONSEQUENTLY, ROKG HAS PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS INDIVIDUALLY WITH KIM OF MOFA AND PARK AND KIM OF MCI.

4. ROUGH SCHEDULE WORKED OUT WITH ROKG AS FOLLOWS:

AUG 4 - 1140 HOURS. ARRIVE SEOUL. AFTERNOON AND EVENING FREE.

AUG 5 - 0900 - CALL ON AMB. HABIB

1030 - KIM, DONG WHIE, ASSISTANT MIN. FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MOFA

1430 - PARK, PIL SOO, ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR TRADE AND COMMERCE, MCI

1530 - KIM, SUN KIL, ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION, MCI

EVENING - DINNER HOSTED BY ASSISTANT MINISTER KIM OF MOFA

AUG 6 - MORNING AND AFTERNOON OPEN TO SCHEDULE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH KIM OF MOFA AND PARK AND KIM OF MCI AS NECESSARY.

LUNCHEON - HOSTED BY ECONOMIC COUNSELOR AND DIRECTOR USAID M.H.B. ADLER

EVENING - DINNER HOSTED BY MCI.
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